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NOTE FOR: The Acting Director

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SUBJECT: Intelligence Authorization Bill

Harry Eisenbeiss has asked you to press for inclusion of two additional provisions in this year's Intelligence Authorization Bill. These provisions would clarify the authority of the DCI to deal with drug and alcohol abuse by employees and exempt security decisions from administrative and judicial review. While there is merit in both proposals, continuing to press for their inclusion at this time is impractical. This is a case where we tried hard and lost.

The drug and alcohol provision has been included in the Administration's version of the Intelligence Authorization Bill for the last three years. Each year the oversight committees have rejected the proposal because they believe the DCI already has sufficient authority in this area. This year both committees have again rejected the proposal.

Regarding review of security determinations, we are still awaiting OMB's decision on your reclama. The committees are aware of OMB's opposition, and they will not move in the face of it.

I suggest we wait until next year and try again.

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